

THIRTY-SEVENTH ANNUAL REPORT

OF

THE TRUSTEES

OF

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THE STATE FARM

AT BRIDGEWATER,

FOR THE YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 1890.

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Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

TRUSTEES' REPORT.

To His Excellency the Governor and the Honorable Council.

The trustees of the State Almshouse and the State Farm (in compliance with the requirements under section 3, chapter 88 of the Public Statutes) herewith present their Thirty-seventh Annual Report, showing the condition of the State Farm at Bridgewater, to which is added the reports of the superintendent and resident physician for the financial year ending Sept. 30, 1890.

The trustees take pleasure in stating that the institution continues in the same excellent condition in all its departments as in previous years, and with the continued co-operation of the present efficient superintendent, no effort will be spared, or opportunity neglected, to keep it up to its present standard, making such regulations and improvements from time to time as may appear advisable and judicious.

The inmates who are able to perform labor have been employed in seating chairs, and working on the farm, as in former years.

The farm is in a good state of cultivation, and the products of the same have generally been satisfactory.

An appropriation was made for the erection of a new stable (under chapter 82 of the Resolves for 1889); the same is nearly completed, and will be ready for occupancy the present year.

The subject of extending the high-service water and obtaining an additional supply of pure water has been carefully examined by the trustees and superintendent, and it was found the appropriation already made for said purpose

was insufficient to complete the same in a satisfactory manner. For recommendation in relation thereto, see report of superintendent.

Under chapter 43 of the Resolves for the year 1890, an appropriation was made for the purchase of additional tillage and pasture land. The same has been purchased for a reasonable consideration, and the farm at the present time is more equally divided for tillage and pasture, and therefore made more available for farm purposes than heretofore.

In the report of the superintendent to the trustees, hereto annexed, will be found important suggestions and recommendations, which have been carefully considered by the trustees and have received their approval. It also contains a detailed statement of the number of inmates admitted and discharged during the year; the number remaining in the institution; the average expense each week per inmate; the nativity of those admitted; the courts from which prisoners were sentenced, with their terms of sentence and crimes committed; the amount received from sales, and labor of inmates, and the disposition of the same; the products of the farm; the list of officers and employees, with other important information and statistics; which statement, carefully and accurately prepared, gives in detail full information as to the condition and management of the institution, and the disposition of the money appropriated and expended for its maintenance.

The annual inventory, as required under section 7, chapter 79 of the Public Statutes, has been taken, and an appraisal made of the real and personal property connected with the institution and belonging to the Commonwealth, by David G. Pratt, Esq., of Middleborough, whose report is hereto annexed.

Respectfully submitted,

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SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT.

STATE FARM, BRIDGEWATER, MASS., Oct. 1, 1890.*To the Trustees of the State Almshouse and State Farm.*

In presenting you the Thirty-seventh Annual Report of the State Farm, I might use the old saying, "All's well that ends well," and fairly cover the ground, for I feel that in the general sense of the term the year has ended comparatively well. How much of real lasting reformation of the "all wool and yard wide kind" has been accomplished I am unable to estimate or even guess, but I must indulge the hope that some of the many who have come under our observation and care have been benefited and reformed. I know that many expressed resolutions for better life, in the great number of interviews I have had with unfortunate men in the past year, have been shams and unworthy; but some were sincere and faithful, and I believe have been benefited by their commitment to this institution. The commitments to the prison or workhouse department have been more generally from all over the State than heretofore, and have been nearly 100 in excess of the number committed the previous year. Naturally the number in this department will gradually attain a greater average. All of the old and infirm sentenced men have been cared for in the almshouse department for the past three or four years, else the prison would have been overcrowded—a condition demoralizing and vicious with sentenced men. The average number of prisoners the past year has been 249,—49 more than this plant was designed for; and but for the transfers above mentioned we should have been very much overcrowded. I therefore think we need additional room in this department, not only for present and prospective increase of

numbers, but for better classification of those we already have. I earnestly recommend that an addition of 100 rooms or cells be made to this department.

The so-called "strong building" for criminal insane males is now completed, and will be occupied the fifteenth of this month by transfers made by the Board of Lunacy and Charity from the several State lunatic hospitals. The centre building, containing a congregate dining-room, workshop and chapel—a part of the asylum plant—is also completed, and will be occupied at the same date. A tenement for the resident physician has also been arranged in the front centre building.

I would again suggest that the fourth wing for insane, designed in the plan of this plant, be built, and a much needed ward for epileptics secured; also that a brick wall be built between the street and strong buildings for insane, in place of the high board fence.

Considering the amount of work, noise and confusion, unavoidable and necessary in building the asylum additions, it is noteworthy that so little disturbance or disorder occurred among the patients. It shows watchful care by their attendants.

The farming department is becoming more extensive and important by reason of a large addition to its acreage this year. Several purchases have been made under the appropriation granted by last Legislature for this purpose, including two homestead farms and five smaller lots, all aggregating 165 acres. More than 100 acres of this is covered by young wood, bushes and stones, but will make valuable farming land when reclaimed, as well as furnish a "field" of labor for years to come. The crops generally have been good, hay especially so, both in quality and quantity. The "farm account," instituted by statute some three years ago, under direction of State Auditor, again shows a balance in favor of the farm, of \$3,112.56,—a good margin, but somewhat reduced as compared with last year, on account of the failure of two staple crops of last season which enter into the present year's account.

Under the appropriation for extending high-service water and obtaining additional pure water, something has been

accomplished in both directions, but not sufficient to satisfy in either. An artesian well has been bored or driven in one of the courtyards, — a location as convenient to all departments as could be found. After boring 170 feet a sufficient supply had been obtained to furnish good, cold water for drinking and table purposes, but not enough to warrant further expenditure in the hope of securing our *whole* supply, as the formation and indications were not thought to promise much of a flow. The well has been a source of great luxury and comfort, and saved much ice, no ice-water being required as formerly when we had only river water.

Several test wells were bored near the river and pumping station to depths varying from 75 to 150 feet, without finding much water. These operations constitute our investigations in this direction. There are several more fields to explore, — some on the lands recently acquired; and I have hope that plenty of water will be found in some of those locations yet to be tested.

This failure to find underground water plenty has settled permanently the question of where to take water for fire service. Our connections with the Taunton River will continue, and the large fire-service pump and engine now located at the old cisterns will be placed there in an addition now building. The large new high-pressure, quick-steaming boiler is on the ground, and when set and connected with a new 70-foot chimney, just finished, will make a fire-service plant equal in efficiency to any in the country of its size. The contemplated addition to the water tower had to be given up for this year on account of the estimate for this work being insufficient. A second examination by an engineer decided the tank not strong enough to admit of making sufficient addition to the top to gain the pressure and storage necessary. They recommend raising this structure and placing the addition required under the tank, necessitating much heavier and more expensive iron-work.

The general scheme of removing all the barns, piggery and agricultural buildings farther from the institution, begun some four years ago, is about carried out. The completion of the new stable provided in 1889 will finish this rearrangement. This change gives opportunity to enlarge the yards

north of the institution and lay out a better system of gates and driveways. A gateman's lodge will be required, and it might be more economical to arrange for a greenhouse connected, as one heating apparatus would suffice for both.

Each year adds permanency to the official force of our institution. In looking over the annual lists it will be noted that the ratio of "yearly" service increases. This tendency toward longer service means greater usefulness, and is a subject for mutual congratulation. The first death among the officers since my connection with the institution occurred last winter, — the engineer, Josiah Robinson, who had been in the service many years, died suddenly, after a few days' illness, with the great epidemic of the season. He had been an able, faithful officer and a noble and loyal citizen, and his loss was keenly felt.

Annexed will be found full and complete statistics, and the report of the resident physician.

I would renew the suggestion that more time be given for making up the tables, reports, etc.

In closing, I wish to express to the members of the board my renewed obligations for their kind and hearty support.

Respectfully submitted,

H. M. BLACKSTONE,

Superintendent.

STATISTICS.

The whole number of inmates remaining Oct. 1, 1889, are as follows:—

Male prisoners,	155	
Female prisoners,	4	
Male paupers,	120	
Female paupers,	2	
Discharged prisoners,	10	
Males, chronic insane,	147	
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Number of admissions and commitments from Oct. 1, 1889, to Sept. 30, 1890, inclusive:—

Male prisoners,	389	
Female prisoners,	8	
Male paupers,	259	
Female paupers,	9	
Discharged prisoners, males,	9	
Discharged prisoners, females,	1	
Males, chronic insane,	19	
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Number discharged from Oct. 1, 1889, to Sept. 30, 1890, inclusive:—

Male prisoners,	311	
Female prisoners,	6	
Male paupers,	239	
Female paupers,	8	
Discharged prisoners, males,	4	
Discharged prisoners, females,	1	
Males, chronic insane,	18	
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Number remaining Oct. 1, 1890:—

Male prisoners,	233	
Female prisoners,	6	
Male paupers,	140	
Female paupers,	3	
Discharged prisoners,	15	
Males, chronic insane,	148	
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Vermont,	8	
Unknown,	6	
Pennsylvania,	5	
New Jersey, Ohio, Germany and Italy, 4 each,	16	
West Indies and Western Islands, 3 each,	6	
Georgia, Minnesota, Wisconsin, Maryland, Austria and Denmark, 2 each,	12	
California, Indiana, Michigan, Missouri, West Virginia, Virginia, Asia, East Indies, Finland, France, Norway, South America, Spain and Wales, 1 each,	14	694
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Courts from which Prisoners were received.

Worcester District Court,	62	
Quincy District Court,	57	
Springfield Police Court,	44	
Brockton Police Court,	26	
Attleborough District Court,	23	
Malden District Court,	22	
Framingham District Court,	21	
Abington District Court,	18	
Great Barrington District Court,	17	
Southbridge District Court,	12	
Waltham and Webster District Courts, 9 each,	18	
Pittsfield District and Canton Trial Justice Courts, 8 each,	16	
North Adams District Court,	7	
Newton Police and Taunton District Courts, 6 each,	12	
Hingham and Northampton District Courts, 5 each,	10	
Worcester and Springfield Superior, Middleborough and Westborough District, Dedham Trial Justice, and transferred from State Prison, 2 each,	12	
Ayer, Barnstable, Beverly, Cambridge, Concord, Salem, New Bedford, Plymouth and Wareham District; Barn- stable, Greenfield, Ipswich, Nantucket, Spencer and Warren Trial Justice; Gloucester Police; transferred from Massachusetts Reformatory, Women's Reform- atory, Lyman School, and returned from place, 1 each,	20	397
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Summary.

District Courts,	294	
Police Courts,	77	
Trial Justice Courts,	16	
Superior Courts,	4	
State Prison,	2	
Massachusetts Reformatory,	1	
Women's Reformatory,	1	
Lyman School,	1	
Returned from place,	1	397
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Crimes of Prisoners.

Tramping,	153
Vagrancy,	130
Drunkenness,	100
Lewd and lascivious,	2
Arson (State Prison),	1
Larceny (State Prison),	1
Abandoning child (Reformatory),	1
Non-support of family,	1
Escaping from State Farm,	1
Transfer from Lyman School,	1
Returned from place,	1
Idle and disorderly,	5

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Sentences of Prisoners.

Six months,	144
One year,	165
Two years,	31
Eight months,	19
Eighteen months,	11
Nine months,	5
Five months,	4
Seven months, fifteen months and sixteen months, 3 each,	9
Fourteen months,	2
Twenty months and ten months, 1 each,	2
Life (State Prison),	1
Four years (State Prison),	1
Two years, indeterminate (Reformatory),	1
Minority (Lyman School),	1
Returned from place,	1

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Of the number of prisoners admitted, 263 had been admitted previously, as follows:—

Prisoners admitted.

Second time,	118
Third time,	56
Fourth time,	31
Fifth time,	20
Sixth time,	11
Seventh time,	8
Eighth time,	6
Ninth time,	6
Tenth time,	4
Eleventh time,	2
Twelfth time,	1

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Towns, etc., from which Paupers have been received.

Boston,	188
Tewksbury,	29
Fall River,	41
Prison department, State Farm,	10
Brockton,	7
New Bedford,	2
State Primary School,	1
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Hospitals, Asylums, etc., from which Insane Patients have been received.

Worcester Lunatic Hospital,	9
Taunton Lunatic Hospital,	5
Prison department, State Farm, order Board of Lunacy and Charity,	3
Pauper department, State Farm, order Board of Lunacy and Charity,	2
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The receipts and expenditures have been as follows : —

Receipts.

Oct. 1, 1889, to Jan. 1, 1890,	\$17,167 27
Received from State Treasurer for same period,	17,167 27
Jan. 1, 1890, to Oct. 1, 1890,	45,410 39
Received from State Treasurer for same period,	45,410 39
Appropriation for 1889 was	63,000 00
Amount expended,	62,972 04
Unexpended balance,	27 96
(Which sum reverted to the treasury.)	
Appropriation for 1890 was	67,000 00
Amount thus far expended,	45,410 39
Balance unexpended,	21,589 61

Expenditures from Oct. 1, 1889, to Oct. 1, 1890.

Salaries, officers and employees,	\$17,268 49
Flour,	6,231 58
Crackers and pastry,	141 96
Beef, fresh and cured,	3,178 08
Fish, clams and oysters,	1,546 73
Mutton and lamb,	520 07
Poultry and sausage,	216 56
Lard and hams,	39 58
Butter, cheese and eggs,	462 76
Tea and coffee,	1,416 45
Sugar and molasses,	1,278 34
Beans and peas,	520 70
Fruits and vegetables,	222 88
Nuts and candy for holidays,	78 91

Dried apples, raisins and currants,	\$52 05
Yeast, soda and baking powder,	244 63
Pepper, salt and mustard,	101 98
Vinegar,	67 95
Soap, stock and starch,	72 23
Rice,	180 43
Tobacco,	926 66
Meal for tables, including graham and oat,	191 63
Potatoes,	718 78
Miscellaneous groceries and canned goods,	242 28
Ice,	222 00
Medical supplies, disinfectants, etc.,	649 85
Hospital supplies, instruments, etc.,	190 69
Expert medical attendance,	50 00
Ready-made clothing,	25 00
Cloth for clothing,	1,597 53
Shirts and drawers,	103 75
Cloth for shirts and drawers,	183 37
Mitts and socks,	311 70
Hats and caps,	111 04
Buttons, thread, needles and notions,	94 00
Uniform buttons,	8 55
Scarfs, collars, suspenders, etc.,	42 14
Towels, towelling and napkins,	103 22
Cotton, bleached,	11 10
Cotton, unbleached,	252 24
Miscellaneous dry goods,	162 53
Blankets,	57 00
Beds and bedding,	134 65
Bedding hay and straw,	241 65
Boots, shoes, stock and findings,	890 09
Repairs to sewing machines,	19 83
Meal and feed for stock,	2,600 42
Corn and cracked corn for stock,	353 53
Manure and fertilizers,	888 34
Farm and garden seeds,	166 75
Fruit trees, shrubs and plants,	49 75
Agricultural tools and implements,	449 30
Live stock,	1,051 07
Horse and ox shoeing,	128 75
Four-horse wagon,	90 00
Repairing and painting carriages,	95 66
Repairing carts and wagons,	43 09
Teaming, horse hire and baiting,	7 25
Miscellaneous stable expenses,	37 53
Crockery and glassware,	109 10
Miscellaneous kitchen and laundry utensils,	43 49
Tin-ware,	73 87
Hardware,	346 01

Brooms, brushes, mats and wooden ware,	\$188 53
Furniture,	138 23
Carpets and carpeting,	23 40
Paints, oils and painters' supplies,	248 08
Engineers' supplies,	87 86
Gasoline and oil,	909 52
Lamps, lanterns and wicks,	66 62
Coal,	4,096 45
Brick,	15 00
Lumber,	728 94
Mechanical labor and services,	293 63
Plumbers' supplies,	16 44
Window glass,	20 50
Freight and express,	1,399 05
Trustees' expenses,	259 08
Superintendent's expenses, mileage tickets, etc.,	190 81
Fares and gratuities to discharged inmates,	462 36
Transfer of inmates,	37 68
Cutlery,	54 66
Lime, hair and cement,	48 75
Taking inventory,	100 00
Telephone rents,	150 00
Telegrams and telephones,	56 25
Postage stamps, postals, etc.,	143 02
Office supplies, stationery, printing, etc.,	298 82
Newspapers and periodicals,	49 65
Games, exhibitions and fireworks,	22 75
Spectacles,	25 50
Dials for watchman's clock,	16 40
Additions to watchman's clock,	282 64
Blacksmiths' supplies,	58 80
Steam and gas piping and fittings,	24 31
Blasting powder and fusee,	7 40
Doors, windows and blinds,	86 68
Miscellaneous and domestic salaries,	271 57
Visiting physician's services,	500 00
Chapel services,	533 00
Asbestos packing and cement,	24 00
Stove grates, linings and castings,	22 74
Miscellaneous iron and steel,	6 40
Rewards and expenses returning escaped men,	133 88
Inspecting boilers,	75 00
Drain pipe,	105 17
Wheelbarrows,	42 00
Superintendent's and secretary's expenses at Conference of Charities and Correction, San Francisco,	415 73
Scales and repairing,	7 50
Pasturage,	35 00
Apples,	123 50

Women's clothing,	\$48 29
Repairing bakers' ovens,	7 40
Repairing billiard and pool tables and pool balls	61 20
Wheels, axles, etc.,	18 89
Repairing clocks,	10 50
New clocks,	36 10
Electrical supplies,	10 65
Ice tools,	32 81
Veterinary services,	18 00
Upholsterers' supplies, furniture coverings, etc,	86 31
Laundry stove and polisher,	32 00
Picture mouldings and mats,	10 37
Iron sink,	4 00
Advertising escaped men,	18 50
Sand for bedding stock, estimated fifteen years' supply,	150 00
Fire pails,	48 00
Handcuffs and leg irons,	36 00
Gas irons for pressing,	23 26
Labor and stock on fences,	162 87
Library books,	101 62
Boiler grates,	7 15
Reslating barn,	267 31
Creamer cans,	10 50
Rent of lot,	45 00
Hancock inspirator for boiler,	50 00
Gasoline generator,	450 00
Wire screening,	10 08
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	\$62,577 66

The amount received for sales, labor of inmates, produce sold, etc., \$3,811 54
(Which has been paid into the treasury.)

The total expenditure has been \$62,577 66

Which amount, divided by the average number of inmates, 574, gives \$109.02 yearly, or an expenditure of \$2.09 weekly; deduct the amount paid into the treasury from the amount expended, and it gives a net cost of \$1.97 weekly.

SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS.

Of the appropriations made in 1888 and 1889, for erecting and furnishing strong buildings for insane male criminals, for building an addition to the hospital for the medical treatment of the sick insane, and for furnishing, heating and lighting the same, there was an unexpended balance of \$41,318.11. The expenditures under these appropriations for the present year are as follows: —

Brick, lime, hair, sand and cement,	\$4,834 98
Lumber, including windows, doors and finish,	6,671 73
Draughtsman's services,	425 00
Brick masons' labor,	4,189 19
Stone masons' labor,	306 95
Plasterers' labor,	137 70
Carpenters' labor,	2,853 67
Painters' labor,	60 00
Laborers,	338 92
Granite window sills,	243 05
Miscellaneous iron and steel,	31 67
Nails,	94 77
Dampers and grates,	52 51
Teaming,	17 50
Iron bars for windows,	392 88
Slate roofing,	553 32
Gas and steam pipe and fittings,	341 76
Drain pipe,	85 92
Hardware and window weights,	301 00
Soapstone and gravel roofing,	387 31
Galvanized iron gutters and conductors,	400 27
Stove pipe,	22 27
Lathing,	51 15
Building wooden stairs,	82 50
Blower, engine and labor on same,	1,086 51
Duplex pump,	280 00
Belting for engine,	10 87
Ventilators,	108 30
Plumbing stock and labor,	1,130 12
Inside blinds,	19 55
Paints, oils and painters' supplies,	574 34
Sheathing paper,	107 88
Iron stairs and beams,	1,115 80
Face brick,	433 50
Iron window guards,	693 00
Iron bedsteads and woven-wire mattresses,	812 50
Furniture, carpeting, etc.,	527 87
Blankets,	102 13
Stained-glass windows,	76 25
Wood mantels,	18 38
Painting and decorating chapel walls and ceiling,	100 00
Wall paper, curtains, mouldings and labor,	134 06
Globes, chandeliers, etc.,	22 05
Mattresses and pillows,	51 50
Cooks' services,	106 00
Freight,	465 85
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	\$30,852 48
Balance unexpended,	10,465 63
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	\$41,318 11

Of the appropriations made in 1889, for erection of buildings for the storage of ice, moving, repairing and building addition to barn, and for the erection of a new stable, there was an unexpended balance of \$4,136.54. The expenditures under this appropriation for the present year are as follows :—

Carpenters' labor,	\$704 00
Draughtsman's services,	143 75
Brick masons' labor,	223 50
Stone masons' labor,	20 00
Laborers,	36 00
Board of mechanics,	21 14
Lumber,	816 44
Cypress sheathing,	40 86
Barn doors,	44 00
Wooden gutters,	43 13
Lime and brick,	83 10
Tracks and hangers,	20 35
Roofing tin,	16 25
Freight,	102 10
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	\$2,314 62
Balance unexpended,	1,821 92
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	\$4,136 54

Under chapter 43, Resolves of 1890, the sum of \$5,000 was appropriated for extending the high-service water and obtaining an additional supply of pure water; for additional tillage and pasturage lands, fencing, etc., the sum of \$4,300. The expenditures under these appropriations are as follows :—

HIGH-SERVICE AND PURE WATER.

Drilling artesian well,	\$800 00
Labor driving test wells,	89 60
Brick masons' labor,	157 20
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	\$1,046 80
Balance unexpended,	3,953 20
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	\$5,000 00

LAND, FENCING, ETC.

Land,	\$3,572 50
Lumber for fences,	85 15
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	\$3,657 60
Balance unexpended,	642 40
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	\$4,300 00

An inventory and appraisal of the real and personal estate, Oct. 1, 1890, was made by David G. Pratt, Esq., of Middleborough. The appraisal was as follows : —

Live stock,	\$6,709 50
Products of farm,	9,207 07
Carriages and agricultural implements,	4,862 76
Machinery and mechanical fixtures,	30,121 00
Beds and bedding, inmates' department,	10,143 48
Other furniture in inmates' department,	8,715 74
Personal property of State in superintendent's department,	7,610 16
Ready-made clothing,	7,667 18
Dry goods,	1,213 20
Provisions and groceries,	3,056 31
Drugs and medicines,	292 16
Fuel,	2,449 80
Library,	310 50

LAND.

232 acres cultivated,	} \$29,000 00
90 " pasture,	
87 " woodland,	
414 " water-works,	

BUILDINGS.

New buildings complete,	\$154,500 00
New hospital addition,	18,000 00
Asylum buildings,	54,000 00
Chapel building and north-west wing, asylum,	42,000 00
East barn enlarged and removed,	6,000 00
Stock barn,	6,000 00
River pumping station,	1,500 00
Fire pump house,	1,500 00
Lower pump house,	500 00
Piggery,	2,500 00
Farmers' house,	1,500 00
Ice house,	900 00
Blacksmiths' shop, soap house, coal sheds and hen houses,	1,850 00
Carpenters' shop and storage sheds,	1,000 00
Pest house,	500 00
Carriage house,	1,000 00
High board fences,	3,000 00
Tomb,	1,000 00

LIST OF LIVE STOCK.

Work horses (pairs),	3	Hogs,	46
Driving horse,	1	Shoats,	110
Express horse,	1	Breeding sows,	18
Oxen,	10	Pigs,	73
Milch cows,	45	Boars,	3
Two-year olds,	5	Fowls,	211
Yearlings,	5	Chickens,	330
Calves,	8	Ducks,	27
Bulls,	3		

PRODUCTS OF FARM ON HAND.

English hay (tons),	222	Yellow-eyed beans (bu.),	80
Rowen "	10½	Parsnips "	140
Oats hayed "	8¼	Onions "	305
Corn fodder "	25	Carrots "	600
Oats (bushels),	250	Apples "	25
Rye "	5	Cider apples "	25
Pop corn "	3	Pears "	3
Sweet corn (bushels),	25	Squash (tons),	5½
Potatoes "	2,775	Pumpkins "	15
Mangels "	890	Cabbage (heads),	5,124
Table beets "	494	Celery "	1,400
Turnips "	515	Wood (cords),	40
Rutabaga turnips (bu.),	135	Manure "	57

Products of farm and garden consumed on officers' and inmates' tables : —

Potatoes (bushels),	1,301	Radishes (bunches),	452
Onions "	110	Turnips "	103
Turnips "	211	Squash (pounds),	1,780
Carrots "	18	Pumpkins "	633
Beans "	103	Rhubarb "	1,180
Parsnips "	112	Cabbage "	2,641
Dandelions "	285	Pop corn "	133
Beets "	154	Tomatoes (bushels),	203
String beans "	34	Parsley (packages),	3½
Peas "	318	Cider (gallons),	93
Apples "	66	Lettuce (heads),	2,619
Pears "	7	Peppers (bushels),	2
Swiss chard greens (bu.),	112	Strawberries (boxes),	780
Beet greens (bushels),	52	Gooseberries "	74
Pickling cucumbers (bu.),	39	Currants "	85
Cucumbers (dozen),	426	Raspberries "	377
Corn (dozen),	2,237	Blackberries "	16
Onions (bunches),	305	Watermelons,	584
Celery "	420	Mush melons,	1,250
Asparagus "	428		

LIST OF PERSONS
Employed as Officers and Employees.

NAME.	Nature of Service.	Time.	Amount.
H. M. Blackstone, .	Superintendent, . . .	1 year, . . .	\$2,354 17
Thomas J. Cannon, .	Assistant Superintendent, .	1 year, . . .	950 00
Charles A. Blake, . .	Resident Physician, . .	1 year, . . .	1,100 00
Josiah Robinson, . .	Engineer,	4 months, . . .	260 00
Rodney A. Moore, . .	Engineer,	8 months, . . .	480 00
Henry J. Strann, . .	Clerk,	1 year, . . .	700 00
Francis Jenkins, . .	Overseer Yard and Prison, .	1 year, . . .	600 00
Benjamin F. Robinson, .	Overseer Chair Shop, . .	1 year, . . .	720 00
Benjamin A. Atkins, .	Overseer Almshouse Dept., .	1 year, . . .	600 00
William M. Payne, . .	Watchman,	1 year, . . .	450 00
Andrew J. Ward, . .	Cook and Baker, . . .	1 year, . . .	690 00
George E. Bacon, . .	Farmer,	1 year, . . .	866 66
Henry S. Keith, . .	Assistant Farmer, . . .	1 year, . . .	480 00
Walter E. Temple, . .	Assistant Farmer, . . .	1 year, . . .	450 00
Louis S. White, . .	Assistant Farmer, . . .	3 mos., 15 days,	134 16
Edgar W. Sawyer, . .	Assistant Farmer, . . .	6 months, . . .	180 00
Orin Jackson, . . .	Assistant Farmer, . . .	1½ months, . .	45 00
John A. Watson, . .	Gateman,	1 year, . . .	300 00
Frank J. Collison, . .	Hospital Steward, . . .	1 year, . . .	300 00
Melvin Hatch, . . .	Supervisor of Insane, . .	1 year, . . .	420 00
Fred. M. Philbrick, .	Attendant of Insane, . .	8 mos., 11 days,	251 00
George A. Knight, . .	Attendant of Insane, . .	7 mos., 18 days,	228 00
Charles A. Newcomb, .	Attendant of Insane, . .	1 year, . . .	380 00
Frank F. Rice, . . .	Attendant of Insane, . .	1 year, . . .	380 00
Woodbury Turner, . .	Attendant of Insane, . .	8 mos., 10 days,	250 00
Edgar W. Sawyer, . .	Attendant of Insane, . .	4 mos., 12 days,	132 00
John W. Tibbetts, . .	Attendant of Insane, . .	1 year, . . .	360 00
Orin Jackson, . . .	Attendant of Insane, . .	3 mos., 15 days,	102 50
Frank H. Carson, . .	Attendant of Insane, . .	7 months, . . .	207 50
Alfred H. Crockett, .	Attendant of Insane, . .	1 year, . . .	352 50
Benjamin C. Knowlton,	Attendant of Insane, . .	1 year, . . .	322 50
George F. Hall, . . .	Attendant of Insane, . .	1 month, . . .	25 00

LIST OF PERSONS — *Concluded.*

NAME.	Nature of Service.	Time.	Amount.
Harry L. Collins, . .	Attendant of Insane, .	7 mos., 24 days,	\$200 00
Nathaniel B. Doe, . .	Attendant of Insane, .	5 mos., 20 days,	163 33
Arthur M. Eno, . .	Attendant of Insane, .	2 mos., 20 days,	73 33
Fred E. Braley, . .	Attendant of Insane, .	5 months, . .	125 00
Dana Tibbetts, . .	Attendant of Insane, .	4 mos., 6 days, .	115 50
James E. Lippincott, .	Attendant of Insane, .	1 mon., 21 days,	46 75
Alden Doe, . .	Attendant of Insane, .	3 mos., 7 days, .	88 92
Charles A. Smith, . .	Attendant of Insane, .	3 mos., 3 days, .	85 25
Benjamin F. Tibbetts, .	Attendant of Insane, .	2 mos., 22 days,	79 75
Willis E. Bowler, . .	Attendant of Insane, .	2 mos., 3 days, .	57 75
Warren G. Robbins, . .	Attendant of Insane, .	1 month, . .	25 00
George R. Belden, . .	Attendant of Insane, .	1 mon., 9 days, .	35 75
Frank R. Moody, . .	Attendant of Insane, .	1 mon., 9 days, .	35 75
Fernald G. Turner, . .	Attendant of Insane, .	1 month, . .	25 00
Joshua Parker, . .	Attendant of Insane, .	9 days, . .	9 00
S. F. Blackstone, . .	Housekeeper, . .	1 year, . .	325 06
Eva C. Shepardson, . .	Laundress, . .	3 mos., 15 days,	77 00
Mary E. Sawyer, . .	Laundress, . .	8 mos., 12 days,	168 00
Belle Whiting, . .	Cook, . .	1 year, . .	155 42
Ellen Faulkner, . .	Cook, . .	26 w'ks, 4 days,	93 00
George F. Coxon, . .	Domestic, . .	1 year, . .	162 00
Patrick McMurray, . .	Hospital Watchman, .	5 mos., 3 days, .	51 00

HOSPITAL REPORT.

To the Honorable Board of Trustees of the State Farm at Bridgewater, Mass.

The following report of the hospital and asylum departments is respectfully submitted:—

Number in hospital Oct. 1,	Deaths,	53
1889, 22	Discharged,	288
Admitted during the year, . 339	Present number,	20
361		361
Daily average, 29.		

The number of admissions is 116 greater than last year, the larger number of which were acute cases. The percentage of deaths to admission is .15 per cent., against .20 per cent. for the year ending Sept. 30, 1889; and, as compared with the average population, is .09 per cent. for the past year, against .08 per cent. for the year preceding.

There have been 49 cases of phthisis treated in the hospital, of which 26 have died,—nearly one-half of our mortality. Persons suffering from chronic lung diseases were severely affected by the general sickness which prevailed during the winter, which partially explains the severe mortality in these cases. There were 13 cases of pneumonia treated; of the 4 deaths reported from this disease, 2 were secondary to other diseases.

The amount of work in the hospital has been largely increased during the year; there has been a much larger number of patients, and details of the work have been more fully entered into. The influence of the various improve-

ments made has been readily felt, and the employment of another nurse has added much to the comfort and condition of the old men's ward, and all pertaining thereto. The outpatient department continues to call for increased attention. Two thousand one hundred and sixty calls have been attended. Dr. F. J. Collinson, as hospital steward, has been with us the entire year, and the minor portions of the work in this department and in the hospital have been better performed than before.

In the asylum department the year has passed very quietly; there has been no general sickness. The good feeling between patients and attendants has been maintained. The benefits of long service on the part of attendants are plainly to be seen, and all the advantages derived from the employment of patients have proved to be permanent. There have been 49 cases of sickness in this department treated in the hospital; 14 of these were of phthisis, of which 8 died; of the 5 other deaths reported there was one each from chronic diseases. In common with other institutions, we were visited by the epidemic known as "La Grippe." There were in all among inmates 213 cases, 33 of which were treated in the hospital. Thinking that the least exposure necessary would best conserve the health of the patients, those in the asylum department were kept well within doors during the height of the general sickness, and of their number (145) there were but 6 attacked; while, of the 14 attendants who cared for them, and who were more or less out of doors at pleasure, 8 were attacked, 2 of whom had pneumonia secondarily. There were 207 cases in the other departments, inmates in these departments being necessarily more exposed to atmospheric influence, through employment and exercise, than those in the asylum. Very few of these cases assumed the more severe forms, and of the number sick there is but one death to record, that of Mr. Josiah Robinson, an officer beloved by all, who died from cerebral congestion.

In closing this report, I would respectfully ask your attention to the apparent need of some regulation or of some legislation in regard to the retention of venereal cases which come to our charitable institutions for treatment. No sooner are abraded surfaces healed, and a condition of health

attained which enables the patient to feel comfortable, than he is clamorous for his discharge. In most cases he is without principle, and gratifies himself at the expense of the community. Too seldom does *he* reap the penalty of his wrong-doing; the shattered constitutions of women and children in our charitable institutions testify to the evil which has been wrought. If such cases could be retained until tertiary or even secondary symptoms could be treated, much of this wrong might be prevented. There are no lock hospitals in the State; but if there were some regulation whereby such persons applying for treatment could be compelled to remain until in a proper degree of health and suitable for discharge, there would perhaps be some mitigation of this evil, and fewer children born with an ineffaceable curse upon them.

The various tables appended give statistical information for the year, and for the whole number of patients admitted to the asylum.

Allow me to express my thanks to the superintendent, Mr. H. M. Blackstone, and to the consulting physicians, Drs. Sawyer and Pratt, for their kindness and support; and to officers and attendants with whom I am associated, I return thanks most truly theirs.

Very respectfully yours,

CHAS. A. BLAKE, M.D.,

Resident Physician.

BRIDGEWATER, Sept. 30, 1890.

TABLE NO. 1.

*Showing the Number and Variety of Diseases treated in the Hospital from
Oct. 1, 1889, to Sept. 30, 1890.*

Abscesses,	6	Incontinency of urine,	1
Amputation, toe,	1	Intermittent fever,	1
Alcoholism,	6	Insane,	3
Ascites,	1	Jaundice,	2
Apoplexy,	2	Keratitis,	1
Asthma,	1	Necrosis,	4
Bright's,	7	Nostalgia,	1
Burn,	1	Neuralgia,	2
Bubo,	5	Neurosis,	1
Bronchitis,	3	Myositis,	1
Contusions,	2	Orchitis,	3
Cholera morbus,	2	Ophthalmia,	4
Cerebral softening,	1	Otitis media,	2
Chancre,	1	Overheated,	1
Constipation,	1	Observation,	5
Colic,	2	Pneumonia,	12
Congestion, pulmonary,	5	Pneumonia, pleuro,	1
Debility,	10	Pharyngitis,	1
Dyspepsia,	1	Prolapsus ani,	5
Dislocation shoulder,	2	Phthisis,	49
Diarrhœa,	9	Paresis,	2
Dysentery,	1	Paralysis,	1
Delirium tremens,	2	Paralysis, general,	1
Excoriatio,	1	Pleurisy, chronic,	1
Erysipelas,	6	Proctitis,	2
Epithelioma,	1	Prostatitis,	1
Furuncle,	4	Paraphimosis,	1
Fistula, anal,	1	Rheumatism,	24
Febricula,	20	Rhus poisoning,	1
Felon,	1	Rupture of muscle,	1
Fracture, olecranon,	1	Synovitis,	1
Gastritis,	1	Sycosis,	1
Gonorrhœa,	1	Stricture, urethral,	4
Herpes,	1	Suppurat'n of cervical glands,	1
Hemorrhoids,	1	Sprain, ankle,	4
Hydrocele, cord,	1	Sciatica,	1
Heart, valvular disease of,	8	Tumor, cerebral,	1
Heart, dilation of,	1	Tumor, cystic,	1
Hernia,	4	Tonsillitis,	8
Hernia, strangulated,	1	Traumatism,	3
Hemorrhage, pulmonary,	4	Tænia solima,	2
Hæmatoma,	1	Wounds,	5
Pusomina,	1	Ulcers,	5
Indigestion,	1		
Influenza,	33	Total,	339

TABLE NO. 2.

Showing the Number of Deaths and Diseases from Oct. 1, 1889, to Sept. 30, 1890.

Bright's disease,	2	Pneumonia, pleuro,	1
Debility,	6	Pneumonia,	1
Gangrene of lung,	1	Meningitis, acute,	1
Hemorrhage, relapse,	1	Meningitis, tubercular,	1
Heart failure,	2	Tumor, cerebral,	1
Locomotor ataxia,	1	Valvular disease of heart,	5
Paralysis,	1	Phthisis,	26
Paralysis, general,	1		
Pneumonia, lobar,	2	Total,	*53

TABLE NO. 3.

Showing Movements of 207 Insane Patients from Sept. 14, 1886, to Sept. 30, 1890.

Improved and discharged,	4
Transferred to other asylums,	3
Transferred by order of Board of Lunacy and Charity,	16
Readmitted,	3
Eloped,	4
Died,	35
Remaining Sept. 30, 1890,	148

TABLE NO. 4.

Showing the Number of Insane Patients received from Each Hospital.

Worcester Insane Hospital,	15	Westborough Lunatic Hos-	
Worcester Lunatic Hospital,	103	pital,	†8
Taunton Lunatic Hospital,	46	State Farm,	12
Danvers Lunatic Hospital,	14		
Northampton Lunatic Hos-			208
pital,	10		

TABLE NO. 5.

Showing Nativity of 207 Insane Patients.

Azores,	1	Maine,	4
Austria,	1	Massachusetts,	56
China,	1	Minnesota,	1
Canada,	4	New Hampshire,	2
Denmark,	1	New York,	7
England,	9	Nova Scotia,	3
Germany,	5	Ohio,	1
Georgia,	1	Poland,	1
Ireland,	66	Pennsylvania,	2
Italy,	1	Prince Edward Island,	1

* Thirteen were from the asylum, 10 from the prison, and 30 from the pauper department.

† One readmitted.

TABLE NO. 5 — *Concluded.*

Rhode Island,	2	Vermont,	4
Sweden,	2	Virginia,	1
Scotland,	5	Washington, D. C.,	1
Spain,	1	Unknown,	23

TABLE NO. 6.

Showing Civil Condition of 207 Insane Patients.

Married,	64
Single,	130
Unknown,	13

TABLE NO. 7.

Showing the Occupation of 207 Insane Patients.

Auctioneer,	1	Morocco dresser,	1
Brickmaker,	1	Mason,	1
Blacksmiths,	5	Machinists,	4
Barbers,	2	Marble workers,	2
Bootmakers,	5	Match maker,	1
Bartender,	1	Mechanic,	1
Book agent,	1	Moulder,	1
Carpenters,	5	Night watchman,	1
Cigar maker,	1	Piano finishers,	2
Currier,	1	Peddlers,	2
Clergyman,	1	Painters,	3
Cooper,	1	Porter,	1
Clerks,	2	Railroad employee,	1
Carriage maker,	1	Spring maker,	1
Car porter,	1	Sailors,	4
Cabinet maker,	1	Shoemakers,	5
Dyer,	1	Servant,	1
Farmers,	10	Salesman,	1
Firemen,	2	Spinners,	6
Fishermen,	2	Stone masons,	2
Glazier,	1	Tailor,	1
Gilder,	1	Teamsters,	2
Hostlers,	5	Varnisher,	1
Jeweller,	1	Waiter,	1
Laundryman,	1	Wool carder,	1
Laborers,	48	Weavers,	3
Lather,	1	Unknown,	52
Mill operatives,	2		

TABLE NO 8.

Classification of 207 Insane Patients.

Mania,	88	General paralysis,	6
Dementia,	84	Dipsomania,	3
Melancholia,	15	Feeble-minded,	2
Epilepsy,	9		

TABLE NO. 9.

Showing the Number of Criminals and Crimes committed.

Assault,	22	Larceny,	10
Breaking and entering,, . .	17	Libel,	1
Burning barns,	2	Murder and manslaughter, .	17
Burglary,	1	Rape,	5
Bigamy,.	1	Robbery,	2
Common drunkard,	9	Vagrancy,	23
Counterfeiting,	1	Unknown,	10
Desecrating cemetery, . . .	1		
Disturbing the peace, . . .	3	Total,	126
Exposure,	1		

TABLE NO. 10.

Showing the Place of Commitment of 126 Insane Criminals.

State Prison,	41	State Farm,	14
Reformatory at Concord, . .	10	Deer Island (Boston), . . .	3
Houses of correction and jails,	39	Not sentenced,	19

TABLE NO. 11.

Showing the Number of Insane Patients treated in the Hospital from Oct. 1, 1889, to Sept. 30, 1890.

Abscess,.	2	Pneumonia,	1
Contusion,	1	Rheumatism,.	1
Diarrhœa,	5	Rhus poisoning,	1
Erysipelas,	2	Suppurat'nof cervical glands,	1
Furuncle,	1	Tubercular meningitis,. . .	1
Fever, catarrhal,	1	Ulcer,	1
Hernia,	4	Valvular disease of heart, .	3
Interstitial nephritis, . . .	1	Febricula,	2
Insane,	1	Paralysis, general,.	1
Insomnia,	1		
Phthisis,	14	Total,	49
Prolapsus ani,	4		

TABLE NO. 12.

Showing the Number of Deaths in Asylum Department from Oct. 1, 1889, to Sept. 30, 1890.

Bright's disease,	1	General paralysis,	1
Pneumonia,	1	Tubercular meningitis,. . .	1
Phthisis,.	8	Valvular disease of heart, .	1